

REMARKS

This application contains claims 1, 4-26, 28-35, 38-60, 62-69, 72-94 and 96-108. Claims 25, 26, 28, 59, 60, 62, 93, 94 and 96 are hereby canceled without prejudice. No new matter has been introduced. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 4-11, 21, 22, 25, 26, 28-35, 38-45, 55, 56, 59, 60, 62-69, 72-79, 89, 90, 93, 94, 96-103, 105 and 107 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Lyle (U.S. Patent 6,886,102) in view of Givoly (U.S. Patent 7,099,940). Dependent claims 12-20, 23, 24, 46-54, 57, 58, 80-88, 91, 92, 104, 106 and 108 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Lyle in view of Givoly and further in view of Porras (U.S. Patent 6,321,338) or Trcka (U.S. Patent Application Publication 2001/0039579) or Bartleson et al. (U.S. Patent 6,934,857).

Applicant has canceled claims 25, 26, 28, 59, 60, 62, 93, 94 and 96 without prejudice in order to put the application in better condition for appeal. Applicant respectfully traverses and appeals from the rejection of the remaining claims. A Notice of Appeal and Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review are submitted herewith.

Applicant believes the amendments and remarks presented above to be fully responsive to all of the grounds of rejection raised by the Examiner. In view of these amendments and remarks, all the claims in the present patent application are believed to be in condition for allowance. Prompt notice to this effect is requested.

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